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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
HIGH-SPEED THICKNESS MAPPING  
OF PATTERNED THIN FILMS**

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Examiner: Hoa Q. Pham

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Sir:

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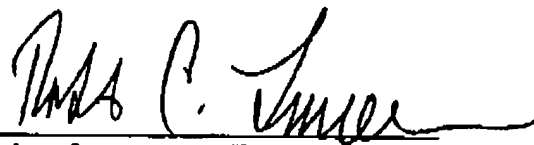
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